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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1732

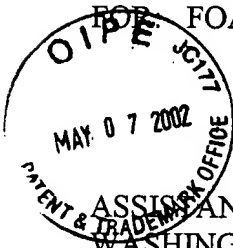
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FOR FOAMED POLYMER-FIBER COMPOSITE

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action of November 7, 2001, and accompanied by a petition for a three-month extension of time and the appropriate fees, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 22 and amend claim 15 as follows:

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--15. (Twice amended) A method of forming a foamed composite building material, comprising:

(a) compounding about one hundred parts polymeric resin; about 68 parts to about 100 parts fiber per hundred parts polymeric resin, and about 1.0 to about 1.5 parts of a blowing agent per hundred parts of polymeric resin to form a compounded mixture;

(b) feeding said compounded mixture into an extruder to form a molten mixture; and

(c) extruding said molten mixture through a die;

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